

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In view of the foregoing amendments and following remarks, favorable reconsideration of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

Applicants thank the Examiner for the indication that Claims 15 to 36 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as discussed below.

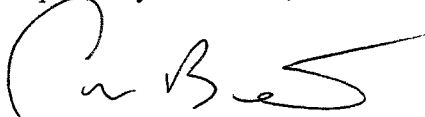
Claims 15 to 36 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. The Examiner asserts that the term "derivatives" is unclear and has suggested amending Claim 15 by inserting formula (I). Claim 15 has been amended as suggested by the Examiner.

Claim 17 has been amended to delete recitation of formula (I) and has further been amended to recite that the derivative of exocyclic cycloalkyl-hydrazine or heterocycloalkyl-hydrazine is selected from the group consisting of N-aminopiperidine, N-aminomorpholine, N-amino-2,6-dimethyl-piperidine, N-aminopyrrolidine, N-aminoazepine and N-amino-4-methyl-piperazine. See, for example, page 4, lines 26-30 of the specification.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112 have been overcome and that the claims are in condition for allowance.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 CFR § 1.136(a), and any fee required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 16-0605.

Respectfully submitted,



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